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RESPONSE TO SUPPLEMENTAL RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Communication from the Examiner mailed on December 13, 2005, setting a shortened one-month statutory period for response, which accordingly expires on January 13, 2006. The following remarks a respectfully submitted